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DIST 16 AUGUST 1966

COUNTRY: LAOS

DOI: 13 AUGUST 1966

SUBJECT: STATUS OF IMPRISONED AMERICAN PILOTS IN THE SAM NEUA
AREA OF HOUA PHAN PROVINCE

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SOURCE:

1. A FORMER PATHET LAO

WHO DEFECTED TO

A FRIENDLY GUERRILLA UNIT IN THE PHOU PHA LACG (VH 138429) AREA,
AND THE LEADER OF THE FRIENDLY GUERRILLA UNIT SUPPLIED THE
FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON CAPTURED AMERICAN PILOTS: *Jeff 143*

A. ON 13 AUGUST 1966 TWO AMERICANS, TWO FILIPINOS,
A THAI, AND A VIETNAMESE WERE HELD IN A CAVE AT VH 195564. *115 22337109.56*

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18 KM EAST OF SAM NEUA.

2. [REDACTED] COMMENT: ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] TDCS-314/10305-66
(, FROM THE SAME SOURCES, THE AMERICAN PRISONERS WERE HELD IN A CAVE AT VH 194566 IN LATE JULY 1966. SUBSEQUENT TO THE EARLIER REPORT, THE FORMER PATHET [REDACTED] AND THE FRIENDLY GUERRILLA LEADER WENT TO THE AREA TO DETERMINE THE STATUS OF THE AMERICAN PRISONERS. THEY PROBABLY BASED THEIR OPINIONS ON NATIONALITY OF THE PRISONERS ON PHYSICAL APPEARANCE. THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE AMERICAN PRISONERS IS PROBABLY MORE ACCURATE THAN THAT OF THE OTHER NATIONALS MENTIONED.)

3. [REDACTED] DISSEM: STATE ARMY AIR USIS CINCPAC PACFLT
PACAF ARPAC USMACV-SAIGON 7TH AIR FORCE [REDACTED]
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